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Tuesday - 24 July 1973 25X1 Met with Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on the present stage of Soviet ICBM technology, and the schedule of Agency briefings being provided various congressional committees on this subject. 25X1 A meeting was scheduled with him for 2:00 p.m. Monday, 30 July, to visit Headquarters for an overall briefing of the Agency budget. Charles Briggs, OPPB, has been advised. Called Senator Stuart Symington to make 25X1 an appointment for Carl Duckett and me to meet with him and explain the background of the hold down on some significant information on Soviet strategic weapons. 25X1 Accompanied Carl Duckett in a meeting with Senator Symington during which Duckett tried, despite Symington's persistent interruptions, to explain to him both the nature of the information which he would present this afternoon to the full Senate Armed Services Committee, the reasons why it had already been provided Senator Jackson, and the circumstances of the hold down imposed by higher authority. Symington made clear he really didn't want to hear any of this at this time but would like to go into it during this afternoon's Committee hearing. Following this discussion, I asked what Symington expected regarding tomorrow's confirmation hearing of Mr. Colby. See Memo for Record. 25X1 11. Carl Duckett and I met with Jim Woolsey, General Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, whom Duckett filled in on the new developments in Soviet strategic weapons on which he will brief the Committee this afternoon and the previous hold down on this information. I then discussed with Woolsey tomorrow's confirmation hearing for Colby in which he suggested we be prepared for several questions and come

equipped with certain backup material. See Memo for Record.